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Dear Marlene:

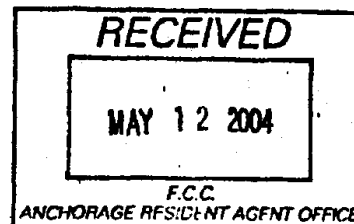
Enclosed is a copy of a letter I received from Del Seay. I would appreciate any information that you can provide me so that I may respond to him.

Thank you for your assistance.

With best wishes,

Cordially,

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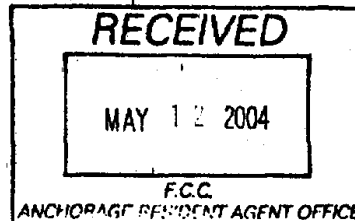
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<MSG>Dear Senator Stevens,



I would appreciate your assistance in a matter that is of importance not only to the United States, but to the State of Alaska.

I refer to the Federal Communications Commission's decision to allow what has come to be known as "BPL" to be used in our country.

This system will supposedly allow wideband Internet services to remote and rural locations. The idea is honorable, but fraught with pitfalls that are being ignored by the Commission.

In Alaska, Amateur Radio has always been a mainstay communications system for those in remote areas and while the telephone service has indeed been delivered to many of the villages, Amateur Radio remains a very important part of our life, culture and heritage.

I can speak with some degree of expertise to the above, as I was the Manager of Engineering for many years for one of the companies who brought communications and television to the villages. I speak of United Utilities, Inc.

The broadband Power Line delivered communications system will sound the death knell for Amateur Radio and many other licensed H.F. radio spectrum users.

It should be without reminder, that professionals in the industry are at least as informed on the technology as are the staff engineers of the Commission.

Yet, while virtually all communications professionals have stated that this technology cannot co-exist with existing licensed users, the FCC is intent on following the BPL designers viewpoint that there is no problem. In addition, the NTIA is opposed. Of course this is a U.S. Government entity. The ARRL has tested the technology and equipment involved and determined it is not acceptable.

If you would like, I would gladly put you in contact with a retired FCC lawyer/Electrical Engineer who can explain the process in which the Commission is hell-bent on taking. His name is James Talens and lives in the Washington D.C. area.

We would appreciate any leverage you might be able to wield to eliminate this horrible action by the FCC.

Sincerely,

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